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DETAILED ACTION

Claims 1 and 5 - 15 are withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b) as being drawn to a nonelected invention, there being no allowable generic or linking claim. Election was made without traverse in the reply filed on 10/25/05.

Conclusion

This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

Claim Objections

Claim 1 is objected to because of the following informalities: at lines 19, 20, 27, 28, 36 and 37, it is unclear what is meant by the phrase "a difference therebetween is within an allowable range". Appropriate correction is required.

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Exparte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO**MONTHS from the mailing date of this letter.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2 - 4 are allowed.

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: As to claims 2-4, the prior art fails to show a testing method for a magnetic

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hard disk or a magnetic head including a first reading step, a data overwriting step and a second reading step in which the overwritten position data is read out from each sector of the track by the magnetic head and the data of the data area of the sector is read out, when the read position data and the stored position data corresponding to the sector data are one of the same as each other and a difference therebetween is within an allowable range. These features taken together with the other limitations of the claim renders the claims allowable over prior art.

Prior Art of Record

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Stewart et al. (4,638,384) is cited for its disclosure of a head positioning mechanism for rotating disk data storage system.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Reena Aurora whose telephone number is 571-272-2263. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 7:00 - 3:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, E. Lefkowitz can be reached on 571-272-2180. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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